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Traffic Fatality #17

Case: 2010-1421590

Date: Saturday, May 22, 2010

Time: 5:04 p.m.

Location: 7900 block West US HWY 290 eastbound

Deceased: Mikel Leslie Light, White male, (D. O. B. 06-10-1951)

Narrative:

On Saturday, May 22, 2010, at 5:04 p.m., Austin Police Officers responded to crash in the 7900 block West Us HWY 290 eastbound.

A preliminary investigation shows that a 1989 grey Mitsubishi truck tried to pass a 2010 dark grey Hyundai Santa Fe and grazed the front left corner of the Hyundai. The driver of the Mitsubishi then crashed into the back of a 2006 blue Kia Rio. The Mitsubishi continued eastbound and ran the red light at the intersection of FM 1826. The truck then left the roadway and crashed into a traffic signal light pole at the southeast corner. The driver of the truck, Mikel Leslie Light, was pronounced deceased at the scene. There were no other injuries reported in the crash.

It is unknown if alcohol was a contributing factor.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call APD Vehicular Homicide Unit Detectives at (512) 974-8164. This case remains under investigation. This is the 17th fatality of 2010. At this time in 2009 there were 30 fatalities in Austin.

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